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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231  
BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the following second preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application.

**In the claims**

Please cancel claims 23-26 and claim 28. The claims therefore remaining in the application are claims 1-22.

**REMARKS**

When the instant application was filed in the U.S. Patent Office on April 12,